A Service of Worship

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026 11:00 a.m.

As we enter sacred space for worship, quiet your heart and mind, centering your thoughts on God's presence among us.

Gathering for Worship

Welcome — Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield

Prelude — *Variations on "Holy Manna"* arr. Mark Hayes
John Fulcher, piano

Call to Worship — Dr. Hatfield

Leader: As Jesus called disciples so long ago — Peter, Andrew, Mary, James, Martha, Mary Magdalene, John …

People: Let us listen for our own names, written on God's heart and called in the voice of the Spirit.

Leader: They were fishermen, tax collectors, brothers and sisters. God transformed them into the beloved community.

People: We are farmers, doctors, teachers and accountants, fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters.

All: May God transform us into the beloved community. May our prayer and praise give glory to God! Let us worship God!

Invocation — Dr. Hatfield

*Hymn 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWALL

Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Reading Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23 Bill Sapp
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading Philippians 4:1-9
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Worship — Dr. Mike

*Please stand as you are able

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 648 *O Jesus, I Have Promised* ANGEL'S STORY

Prayer of Commitment & Lord's Prayer — Dr. Hatfield

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

+*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Engaging the Scriptures

Anthem *A River Flowing* arr. Sandra Ford

Sermon *The Only Solution to Irreconcilable Differences*
Dr. Hatfield

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 551 *Give Me Jesus* GIVE ME JESUS

*Benediction — Dr. Hatfield

Whatever is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing or commendable; if there is any excellence or anything worthy of praise, think about these things and pass them on. Keep doing what you have learned, received, heard and seen that are of God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
—Based on Philippians 4:8-9

Postlude *Somebody's Knocking on Your Door* arr. Derrick
A musical reflection on our worship of God today.

As we depart, we go into the world to serve to the glory of Jesus Christ.

This is the season after Pentecost in the Christian year. *Having celebrated the "birthday of the church" through the giving of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, we enter the Season after Pentecost for 24 weeks, to celebrate the existence of the church and recall her mission in the world. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolic of the church's growth and mission.*

+Giving in Worship at First Baptist – We welcome your gifts to support the mission and ministry of First Baptist Church. You can give in worship by dropping your offering (check/cash) in our offering plate in the Narthex, or you can give online anytime at *fbcmartinsville.com/give*.

Nursery & Children's Chapel
Our nursery is available for children seven and under.
The nursery is down the hall from the Narthex and to the right.

Children's Worship Bags for all ages are in the Narthex (foyer at the back of the Sanctuary). These bags are intended to help children process what they are hearing and seeing as they worship with their families. Please return the bags after worship so they can be used in our next service.

Our Worship is Live Streamed on Facebook and YouTube each Sunday morning at the worship hour and a video recording is posted on the church website/YouTube page within 24-48 hours. To listen by phone during the worship hour: **Zoom Call-in Number**: 1-833-548-0276; Meeting ID: 276 632 6336 #, #

Reminders

October Birthdays: 2 Ron Austin, 4 Ronnie Garren, Morton Lester, Joe Prince, Adalyn White, 8 Linda Penta, 13 Kaylee White, 17 David Collins, 23 Erica James, 28 Charlotte James, 31 Mary Frances Gibbs, Ayden Brannock

Prayers for our Church Family: John Burgess, Mary Clifton, Martha Drane, Ann D. Draper, Baxter Jennings, Imogene McMillan, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Reeves, Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Yvonne Turner

Deacon of the Month: Ruth Anne Collins
She will assist other deacons with visitations as needed.

Grace Network Oct.- Dec. 2026 Food Assignment: Green Peas
Please leave food in the box labeled Grace Network in Room 105-107.

Patrick Henry Food Pantry
A church wide mission project will continue again this school year for Patrick Henry Elementary School. The school provides food bags for students who need extra food over the weekends. Please place all items in the box labeled Patrick Henry Food Pantry in Room 107.

Single Serve Cereal	Applesauce	Pancake Mix (eggless)
Instant Oatmeal	Dried Fruit	Mac & Cheese
Granola Bars	Crackers	Soup
Canned/Packet meats	Juice/Shelf Milk	Canned Pasta w/Sauce

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, October 11
9:30 a.m. Sunday School-Rm. 105/Zoom
11:00 a.m. Worship-Sanctuary/Online

Monday, October 12
6;00 p.m. Still Water Group-Choir Room
7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers-Sanctuary

Tuesday, October 13
10:30 a.m. Administrative Staff Meeting-Rm. 105

Wednesday, October 14
10:00 a.m. Library Committee Meeting-Library

Thursday, October 15
10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Esther-Rm 105/Zoom
12:00 p.m. Children & Youth Committee-Rm. 105
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal- Choir Room

Announcements

2026 BGAV ANNUAL MEETING-"Heart For The Not Yet"
November 9-11, 2026, Virginia Beach, VA
Registration for the meeting is now open online. If you plan on attending please contact the church office for the registration information that you will need to sign up online.

Piano Recital- November 15th at 3:00 p.m.
FBC Sanctuary
Katya Kramer, American pianist will present
" *Romantic Favorites: An Afternoon at the Piano*".
She is a dynamic and versatile musician, captivating audiences as a pianist, recording artist, and educator. Her career has flourished across diverse genres and stages, showcasing her exceptional talent and passion for music. Free admission so plan on joining us for this beautiful program!

Grace Network's Annual Pumpkin Patch Fund Raiser
The pumpkins arrived yesterday and sales will continue through the month of October. FBC will be working in the Pumpkin Patch on Friday, October 30th from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Trunk-or-Treat – CHBC Parking Lot
October 31st from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
First Baptist will join with Chatham Heights to hold a Trunk-or-Treat event Halloween night. We need volunteers to decorate their cars and hand out candy as well as candy donations if you are unable to decorate a car. Let the church office know if you can decorate a car or drop off your candy donations to the church office.

Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield New Address
Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield has moved and has a new address!
It is 251 Red Hill Drive, Martinsville, VA 24112

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville…

Coming together with many Christian traditions to worship, learn, and grow together as followers of Jesus.

Serving God in our church, our community, and the world by investing our energy and resources to living like Jesus called us to live — in service to God and neighbor.

Growing and changing our ministries to include more variety in our vision so as to meet the needs of our community.

Open Invitation

Our congregation wishes to partner with you and your family on a shared journey of faith. Whatever your background, we would love to explore with you how to join with us as we minister to this community together.

If you are interested in wanting to know more about following Jesus, how to join this church as an active participant, or if you'd like to recommit yourself to this church and its ministry, contact us at *info.fbcmartinsville.com, (276) 632-6336, mike@fbcmartinsville.com or his cell (276) 340-7550.*

Our doors are always open. Come see what God is doing and serve among us as we worship in Christ's name.

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Season After Pentecost

*Hymn 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWALL

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Lord the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains he took his seat above:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come,
and take his servants up to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

*Hymn 648 *O Jesus, I Have Promised* *ANGEL'S STORY*

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
Be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me, the world is ever near:
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear:
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
that where thou art in glory, there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

*Song of Response
Hymn 551 *Give Me Jesus* GIVE ME JESUS

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
Refrain
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world,
give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. *Refrain*

Just about the break of day, just about the break of day, just about the break of day, give me Jesus. *Refrain*

O, when I come to die, O, when I come to die, O, when I come to die, give me Jesus. *Refrain*